

CAN'T BLOCK ALIEN LAWS HOOVER STILL UNCERTAIN

JAPAN CAN DO NOTHING TO OFFSET ANTI-ALIEN LAWS SAYS STATESMAN

(By Associated Press)
TOKIO, Japan, Feb. 24.—Japan can do nothing to invalidate the anti-Japanese legislation in California, declared Viscount Uchida, Japanese foreign minister in the diet yesterday. "California's legislation," he said, "is injurious to the Japanese interests, but that state has been acting within her constitution, and also that of the United States."

He spoke in reply to Baron Oshiro Sakatani, who, after referring to the growing tendency in other Pacific coast states to follow the example of California, asked if the Japanese government was doing anything to counteract this movement. He also inquired if there were prospects of accord being negotiated by American Ambassador Morris and Japanese Ambassador Shidehara at Washington, which might be ratified soon.

Foreign Minister Uchida said that an agreement advantageous to Japan was being arranged by the ambassadors, and that a satisfactory solution might be expected, although it was doubtful whether any definite steps would be taken during the administration of President Wilson.

He also declared that publication of the matters now under negotiation was impossible, as Japan and the United States government had agreed that they should not be made public.

DRY OFFICERS ARREST A SCORE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—Federal prohibition agents, picked up from Maryland and Ohio forces, visited many hotels here today, arresting employees, in the first effort on a large scale to break up the alleged illicit whiskey traffic. Over a score were arrested.

DARING ROBBERY NETS \$30,000

(By Associated Press)
TORONTO, Ontario, Feb. 24.—A daring robbery was committed at the head office of the Bank of Montreal today when nearly \$20,000 in cash and \$11,000 worth of securities were stolen from a box in the paying teller's cage.

WILL MAKE NO REPLY TO CABINET CRITICISMS

(By Associated Press)
ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 24.—Again taking notice of published criticism as to his cabinet selections, President-elect Harding said he intended to make no reply except through the acts of the coming administration.

WILL ACCOMPANY HARDING TO CAPITOL

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—President Wilson will ride with President-elect Harding to the capitol on March 4, it was announced today at the White House.

MAN WANTED AS EMBEZZLER AND BIGAMIST TAKEN

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 24.—E. B. Grosset, an alleged bigamist and embezzler, said to be wanted by the police of San Francisco, Pittsburgh and Los Angeles, who eluded San Francisco officers on February 4, was arrested here today.

Grosset faces here an indictment charging embezzlement. He is said to have married Bertha Gardner, daughter of a San Francisco attorney, and while that marriage was still in effect, contracted another in Chicago. His second wife is said to be employed as a nurse in a Los Angeles hospital.

TURKEY WILL ACCEPT ALLIED DECISIONS

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 24.—Rehach Pasha, delegate of the Constantinople government to the near east conference here, speaking for both his group and the Turkish nationalists today, told the allied conferees that both factions of Turks would accept the decisions of the allies.

FIRE RAGING IN TEXAS TOWN

(By Associated Press)
RANGER, Texas, Feb. 24.—Dynamite is being used in an attempt to check the fire which is raging in the business district of Breckenridge, according to telephone messages received here. The loss this afternoon is estimated at \$500,000.

CONSCIENCE FAILS WOULD BE BURGLAR

A bold but conscience-stricken burglar entered Mrs. Newton Crumley's store via the skylight route on Monday night, and after searching the place for money, departed without molesting any goods. It is a two-to-one bet that the burglar had no girl or he would surely have consorted a few of her dainty spring suits and waists for the fair sex.

ARRANGE BASKETBALL GAME WITH TONOPAH

The girls' basketball team of the Virginia City high school has arranged a game with the girls' team of the Tonopah high school, and the contest will take place in Virginia City next week. The girls' team is also entered in the interscholastic championship games to take place at the University of Nevada in Reno beginning next week.—Virginia City Chronicle.

PARSON ON TRIAL FOR SHOOTING OF SALOONKEEPER

(By Associated Press)
SANDWICH, Ontario, Feb. 24.—Both sides had summed up when the noon adjournment was taken in the trial of Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, the "fighting parson," who is charged with manslaughter in connection with the shooting of Rev. Trumble, an innkeeper, in a liquor raid here last November. The case was given to the jury at 2 p. m.

(By Associated Press)
SANDWICH, Ontario, Feb. 24.—Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, former liquor license inspector, was acquitted of the charge of manslaughter in connection with the shooting of Rev. Trumble, an innkeeper, in a raid here last November. The jury was out 55 minutes.

SOLDIERS WHO KILLED ELEVEN PERSONS TRIED

(By Associated Press)
MANILA, P. I., Feb. 24.—The trial of 77 Philippine constabulary soldiers on charges of murder in connection with the riots with the Manila police on December 15, in which 11 persons were killed, ended today.

The case was taken under advisement by the court. A motion to dismiss the charges against 67 of the defendants was denied. The court ruled that the prosecution had proved the existence of a conspiracy.

DEATH SENTENCE IS COMMUTED

(By Associated Press)
CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 24.—Seven death sentences, imposed last October on the "Vengeance Gang," an alleged anti-British society, have been commuted to 15 years imprisonment. Fifteen others, who were given heavy prison sentences, had them reduced, and eleven were sentenced to 30 lashes and have been released.

DISCUSS CHANGE IN MOTHERS' BILL

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CARSON CITY, Feb. 24.—A long discussion of the senate substitute for assembly bill No. 10, the mothers' pension bill followed the appearance of that measure for consideration in the senate today. Some members were in favor of changing the substitute for the partial support of mothers who are dependent upon their own efforts for the maintenance of offspring under the age of 16 years to include children under 18 years. The present law fixes the age of the children at 15 or under.

The measure as constituted at present would provide that the partial support in no case should exceed the sum of \$25 to a mother maintaining two children or the sum of \$35 to a mother maintaining more than two children. In cases where children of the age of 16 years or over are living with the dependent mother or contributing toward her support, this matter must be considered by the county commissioners in determining the amount of support which any mother is entitled to.

AVIATOR SETS NEW WORLD'S RECORD

(By Associated Press)
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 24.—Lieutenant Coney, who left San Diego, California, on Monday night in the transcontinental flight which he hoped to negotiate in 24 hours, landed at Camp Johnson, near here, early today. His unofficial time was 22 hours and 32 minutes for the 2,679 miles.

Coney's time is believed here to constitute a new record. With the exception of two hours, the flight from Dallas, Texas, to Jacksonville was made in darkness.

WILL EXAMINE MOONEY WITNESS

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 24.—A special session of the county grand jury will be held tonight to hear the story of John MacDonald, who recently swore to an affidavit in New Jersey that he purjured himself in identifying Thomas Mooney as the man who set off the bomb which caused the Preparedness day deaths here in 1916.

ROUT MEXICAN R. R. WORKERS

(By Associated Press)
PINE BLUFF, Ark., Feb. 24.—Forty Mexican laborers, who were brought here for section work two weeks ago by the St. Louis & Southwestern railway, were routed from their camp six miles south of here last night by unknown parties who "shot up" the camp.

STRIKE AFFECTS INDIAN COLLEGES

(By Associated Press)
CALCUTTA, India, Feb. 24.—India Information Bureau.—Ten Calcutta colleges are now affected by the strike of students who are putting into practice the program of boycott of British institutions recently proclaimed by the All-India Students' conference at Nagpur. It is estimated that 2000 students are out.

Meetings are being held at which students are urged by the speakers to spread the boycott to all educational institutions under British control. Strikes of taxi drivers and of drivers of private cars still continue.

MOVIE ACTOR SERIOUSLY ILL

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 24.—Jack Pickford, the movie actor, is seriously ill here with bronchial pneumonia.

THE WEATHER	
Local Observer, United States	
Weather Bureau:	
Temperatures 5 a. m. Noon	
Current	48 57
Wet bulb	34 41
Relative humidity	19 23
Temperature, Extreme.	
1921 1920	
Maximum yesterday	62 50
Minimum yesterday	38 22

COMMISSION IS TO GO TO NEAR EAST TO HOLD ENQUIRY

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 24.—One solution to the near east problem relating to Turkey, which will be reached by the allied supreme council, will be to send an allied commission of inquiry to the near east to examine on the spot the population claims of Greece and Turkey in the disputed provinces of Smyrna and Thrace. It was foreseen in well-informed circles today.

In the meantime, cessation of hostilities between the Turks and Greece will be declared.

This will delay final settlement four months, and the French delegates express the hope that by that time the United States will be in a position to participate in the ultimate treaty.

SENATE AGREES ON EMERGENCY TARIFF MEASURE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—A complete agreement on the Fordney tariff bill was reached by the senate and house conferees today.

The report now goes before the house for immediate action, which will be probably tomorrow.

On the controversial sugar schedule a compromise was reached on a duty of two cents a pound except in the case of Cuban sugar, on which the rate will be 1 1/2 cents a pound.

JUST ONE MORE MORAL ? FAD

CARSON CITY, Nev., Feb. 24.—Punch, boards and slot machines would be designated as lotteries and would be prohibited under the law by the terms of senate bill No. 67, introduced by Scott yesterday morning. Violation of the law, if the bill survives the legislative gauntlet, will be a felony and will be punishable by a term of from one to five years in the Nevada state prison.

PUBLIC OPINION QUICK TO CHANGE

(By Associated Press)
TOKIO, Feb. 24.—There is no public opinion in the world that is more effervescent than the public opinion of Japanese says the Nichi Nichi in commenting on the California and Siberian questions. The Japanese people are a people who are easily excited, but the excitement dies away just as easily. This is not the attitude a great nation should assume. Only a few months ago the Japanese people were enraged in unduly clamoring about the California question and the Siberian venture, but today they are completely silent as though they have forgotten that such a thing ever existed.

This is particularly the case with the Siberian question: what Japan has to do in Siberia has already been done. The next step is to reap what she has sown. The Japanese government hesitates because it fears that the crops will be very poor. But it is what one has sown that one must reap. The journal continues: It appears that the time for the military authorities to withdraw from Siberia has come.

HOOVER LETS DECISION ON APPOINTMENT REST WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE RESUMES WORK

(By Associated Press)
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 24.—The forty-fourth biennial session of the California legislature resumed its activities today, committee meetings and conferences on legislation preceding the formal reconvening at noon when the 30-day constitutional recess was brought officially to a close.

The morning was devoted chiefly to the work of the joint committee on revenue and taxation, which is again considering rates of taxation to be assessed against public service corporations.

U. S. WANTS SAY IN DISPOSITION OF POSSESSIONS

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Feb. 24.—The United States government, in a note to the council of the league of nations on the question of mandates, claims equal concern and interest with the other principal allied and associated powers in the overseas possessions of Germany and their disposition.

HERMAN DAVIS LAID TO REST

RENO, Nev., Feb. 24.—The Masonic funeral services for Captain Herman Davis, past grand master, under the auspices of the grand lodge of the Masonic fraternity in Nevada, were held today, under the direction of Grand Master H. H. Atkinson of Tonopah, who arrived in Reno last night.

As the interment was strictly private, there was no escort of Knights Templar, as was at first contemplated, but the knights met at their asylum in the temple and marched to the lodge room. Three of the members of the commandery acted as pallbearers, the other three being past grand masters of the grand lodge of Masons.

DIETETIC ASS'N DATES SET FOR OCTOBER 24-26

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 24.—The next annual meeting of the American Dietetic association will be held in Chicago October 24, 25 and 26, according to an announcement made here by the secretary of the executive committee.

OFFICER SMITH RESIGNS

Officer O. H. Smith, after a two months' trial as a deputy under Chief of Police Cochran, resigned yesterday, and his place was filled by Charles D. Turner, a sturdy miner at the Victor. The new appointee is well and favorably known throughout southern Nevada.

NEW HEAD FOR RAILWAY BOARD

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Herbert Hoover declared today in a statement that he had left it to President-elect Harding to decide whether he could be of more service as secretary of commerce or director of European relief.

Mr. Hoover announced that he had put up to Mr. Harding the proposal for a general reconstruction of the department of commerce and the enlargement of its field.

"As the department of commerce stands today," he said, "it consists largely of a group of scientific bureaus which have only a remote connection with commerce itself."

He added that if he should accept the position he saw a way to make certain changes, which would make of it a real department of commerce.

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 24.—Frank R. Devin was today named president of the state railway commission by his fellow commissioners. He succeeds E. O. Edgerton, whose term expired January 1. Devin is a former attorney and was appointed to the commission from Vallejo in 1915.

MUST HAVE PERMIT CHANGE RELIGION

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Feb. 24.—The Rumanian government, with the object of checking the strong anabaptist movement in Transylvania, has issued a decree forbidding a change of religion without permission of the ministry of the interior, says a dispatch from Bucharest by the Hungarian News agency.

The anabaptists deny the efficacy of infant baptism and insist on baptism by immersion.

N. P. SHOPS BURN LOSS IS \$100,000

(By Associated Press)
TIBURON, Cal., Feb. 24.—The Northwestern Pacific Railway company's machine and carpenter shops here were destroyed by fire today. The loss was estimated at \$100,000.

BUTLER THEATRE Kathrine McDonald —IN— The Notorious Miss Lisle

A story with an appeal that will stir sentimental emotions in a marble heart and ring passionate outpourings from hearts that have frozen for the want of romance.

—AND—
LATEST PATHE NEWS
—TOMORROW—
WALLACE REID in
"ALWAYS AUDACIOUS"
—AND—
A Prizma Film
"DEADLY DAGGA"
—COMING—
"TRUMPET ISLAND"